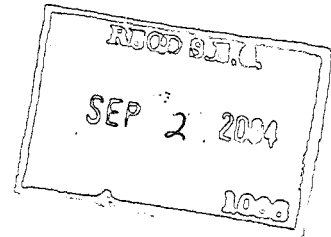


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Mr. Brian Johnson  
Branch Chief  
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Securities and Exchange Commission  
Judiciary Plaza  
450 Fifth Street, NW  
Washington, D.C. 20549



Dear Mr. Johnson:


This is to certify that on August 25, 2004, the American Stock Exchange, Inc. (the "Exchange") received from PS Business Parks, Inc. (the "Registrant"), a copy of the Registrant's application on Form 8-A for the registration of the following securities:

Depository Shares each representing 1/1,000 of a share of 7.60%  
Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series L, par value \$.01 per share

We further certify that the above described securities have been approved by the Exchange for listing and registration.

We understand that the Registrant is seeking immediate acceleration of the effective date of registration, and we hereby join in such request.

Sincerely,

  
Bryan Fischer  
Managing Director  
Listing Qualifications Department

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